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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PLOS CGEN EWWT MA TW
SUBJ: STATE OF "ORIENT LONDON"

REFS: (A) ANT A-004 NOTAL, (B) STATE 88683, (C) ANT 0669,
(D) STATE 100272

1. SUMMARY: MASTER OF ORIENT LONDON IS IN JAIL IN DIEGO SUAREZ.
BODY OF DEAD CHIEF ENGINEER IS IN COLD STORAGE IN DIEGO.
REMAINING FOURTEEN CREW MEMBERS ARE UNLOADING THE CHROME ORE
THEMSELVES, UNDER ARMED GUARD. END SUMMARY.

2. FOLLOWING INFORMATION PROVIDED BY ORIENT LONDON'S AGENT IN
TAMATAVE. HE REPORTS THAT HE IS IN CONTACT WITH SHIP'S
OWNER, AND IS KEEPING HIM INFORMED.

3. ALL SIXTEEN CREWMEMBERS ARE CHINESE. MASTER, CHANG KUNG EN,
AGE 50, IS IN JAIL IN DIEGO SUAREZ. BODY OF DEAD CHIEF ENGINEER,
LIN YI HSIUN G, AGE 34, IS IN COLD STORAGE IN DIEGO. REMAINING
FOURTEEN CREWMEMBERS ARE HELD ON THE VESSEL UNDER GUARD BY
ABOUT FORTY ARMED GENDARMES. CREW ITSELF WORKS SEVEN DAY WEEK
UNLOADING ABOUT 90 TONS OF CHROME ORE PER DAY TO BARGE WHICH
SHIFTS IT TO PORT. AGENT PROVIDES ALL FOOD REQUESTED EVERY FIVE
DAYS AND CREW MEMBERS NEEDING MEDICAL ATTENTION ARE BROUGHT
ASHORE TO DOCTOR UNDER GUARD. CREW IS IN GENERALLY GOOD HEALTH,
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BUT TIRED FROM HEAVY WORK SCHEDULE. INCOMING MAIL FOR SHIP AND
CREW IS CENSORED. NO DATE FOR RELEASE OF CREW AND SHIP HAS BEEN
SET, PENDING WHAT IS FOUND WHEN ALL CARGO IS UNLOADED. THIS
UNCERTAINTY CONCERNING THEIR FUTURE IS BIGGEST PROBLEM
CONFRONTING CREW.

3. POUCHING DEPT (EA/ROC) COPIES OF CREW LIST AND LIST OF

MEDICAL SUPPLIES PROVIDED CREW BY AGENT.BARRETT

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